

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :

Kenneth RICHARDS : METHOD FOR CONVEYING BNYVV
Gérard JONARD : RESISTANCE TO SUGAR BEET
Hubert GUILLEY : PLANTS
Cornelis M. P. VAN DUN :

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Sir:

Enclosed are appropriate papers for initiating the national phase of the above-identified PCT application, comprising a specification, claims, abstract, drawings and sequence listing. A Preliminary Amendment is also enclosed.

Please accept the application for purposes of granting a filing date and recognize Barbara E. Johnson, Richard L. Byrne and Thomas J. Clinton, Registration Nos. 31,198, 28,498 and 40,561, respectively, as attorneys in this application, pending the filing of a formal Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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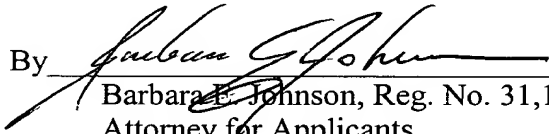
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